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Amendments to the Claims:

1. through 31. (Canceled)

32. (New) A method of storing and identifying a route, comprising the steps of:
- describing a first location;
 - describing a second location;
 - receiving a route-identifier from a user interface, wherein the route-identifier identifies a route between the first location and the second location; and
 - storing the route-identifier.
33. (New) The method of claim 32, further comprising:
- retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route.
34. (New) The method of claim 32, further comprising:
- requesting information about the route.
35. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein the information is selected from the group consisting of:
- traffic information, weather information, travel information and information about other objects on the route.
36. (New) The method of claim 32 further comprising:
- receiving information about the route.

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37. (New) The method of claim 36 wherein the information is selected from the group consisting of:

traffic information, weather information, travel information and information about other objects on the route.

38. (New) The method of claim 32 wherein the first location is described using measurements selected from the group consisting of:

a latitude and longitude measurement, a cell phone identification, a bookmarked location, an address, a pair of cross-streets, a combined city/state/country identification, a street address; a highway exit number, a highway exit number combined with a city/state identification, a highway road marker number, a highway road marker number combined with a city/state identification, a landmark, a landmark combined with a city/state identification, and an existing route.

39. (New) The method of claim 32 wherein the second location is described using measurements selected from the group consisting of:

a latitude and longitude measurement, a cell phone identification, a bookmarked location, an address, a pair of cross-streets, a combined city/state/country identification, a street address; a highway exit number, a highway exit number combined with a city/state identification, a highway road marker number, a highway road marker number combined with a city/state identification, a landmark, a landmark combined with a city/state identification, and an existing route.

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40. (New) The method of claim 32 wherein the route is selected from the group consisting of:
a fastest route, a shortest route, a simplest route, and a scenic route.

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41. (New) A method for obtaining information on a route, comprising the steps of:
- selecting a starting location;
 - selecting a destination location;
 - receiving a route-identifier from a user interface, wherein the route-identifier identifies a relationship between the starting location and the destination location;
 - selecting at least one intermediate location associated with the relationship between the starting location and the destination location.
42. (New) The method of claim 41 wherein the relationship between the starting location and the destination location is a route, the method further comprising:
- retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route; and
 - receiving information on the route identified by the route-identifier.
43. (New) The method of claim 41 further comprising:
- identifying the intermediate location with an intermediate-identifier.
44. (New) The method of claim 43 further comprising:
- retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route;
 - providing the intermediate-identifier; and
 - requesting information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

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45. (New) The method of claim 44 wherein the information is selected from the group consisting of:

traffic information, weather information, travel information and information about other objects.

46. (New) The method of claim 43 further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route;

providing the intermediate-identifier; and

requesting information on the intermediate location based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

47. (New) The method of claim 46 wherein the information is selected from the group consisting of:

traffic information, weather information, travel information and information about other objects.

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48. (New) A computer readable medium storing a program for identifying a route, comprising:

computer readable program code that identifies a first location;

computer readable program code that identifies a second location;

computer readable program code that receives a route-identifier from a user interface,

wherein the route-identifier identifies a relationship between the first location and the second location;

computer readable program code that stores the route-identifier;

computer readable program code that stores the relationship; and

computer readable program code that identifies an intermediate location associated with the relationship between the first location and the second location.

49. (New) The program of claim 48, further comprising:

computer readable program code that retrieves the route-identifier.

50. (New) The program of claim 48, further comprising:

computer readable program code that retrieves information based on the route-identifier.

51. (New) The program of claim 48, further comprising:

computer readable program code that identifies the intermediate location with an intermediate-identifier.

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52. (New) The program of claim 51, further comprising:

computer readable program code that retrieves the route-identifier to identify the route;

computer readable program code that retrieves the intermediate-identifier to identify the intermediate location; and

computer readable program code that provides information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

53. (New) The program of claim 51, further comprising:

computer readable program code that retrieves the route-identifier to identify the route;

computer readable program code that retrieves the intermediate-identifier to identify the intermediate location; and

computer readable program code that provides information on the intermediate location based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

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54. (New) A method of identifying a route at a communication node, comprising the steps of:

receiving at the communication node a starting-identifier, wherein the starting-identifier identifies a starting location;

receiving at the communication node a destination-identifier, wherein the destination-identifier identifies a destination location;

receiving a route-identifier from a user interface, wherein the route-identifier comprises the starting-identifier and the destination-identifier; and

storing the route-identifier at the communication node for later retrieval; and

receiving at the communication node at least one intermediate-identifier, wherein the intermediate-identifier defines an intermediate location associated with the starting location and the destination location.

55. (New) The method of claim 54 further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier at a browser to identify the route.

56. (New) The method of claim 54 further comprising:

requesting information about the route wherein the information requested includes the route-identifier.

57. (New) The method of claim 54 further comprising:

transmitting information about the route from the communication node based on the route-identifier.

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58. (New) The method of claim 54 wherein the route-identifier comprises a relationship between the starting-identifier and the destination-identifier.

59. (New) The method of claim 58 wherein the relationship between the starting-identifier and the destination-identifier is a route between the starting location and the destination location, further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier from the communication node to identify the route; and
transmitting information about the route from the communication node based on the route-identifier.

60. (New) The method of claim 54 further comprising:

receiving at the communication node at least one intermediate-identifier, wherein the intermediate-identifier defines an intermediate location.

61. (New) The method of claim 54 further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier from the communication node to identify the route; and
transmitting information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

62. (New) The method of claim 54 further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier from the communication node to identify the route; and
transmitting information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the destination-identifier.